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Army Corps of Engineers accepting comments about Kimball Bend Park development plan

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, announced today that it is accepting comments on a draft development plan for Kimball Bend Park at Whitney Lake. The draft plan was formulated by an interdisciplinary planning team as part of a long-term effort to plan and construct improvements to the recreational facilities at the lake.

The draft development plan is available for review from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday at the Whitney Lake office off of State Highway 22 at Whitney Dam. The plan is also available at the Clifton, Cleburne, Meridian, Whitney and Hillsboro chambers of commerce and will be posted on Whitney Lake's website, <http://www1.swf-wc.usace.army.mil/whitney/pages/>.

Kimball Bend Park is located on the upper end of Whitney Lake approximately 50 miles south of Fort Worth on State Highway 174. The upriver portion of Whitney Lake above Kimball Bend Park has been recognized by various public agencies and private organizations for its scenic beauty and recreational potential. Kimball Bend Park is also the site of the old town of Kimball, Texas, and one of the Chisholm Trail's crossings on the Brazos River. Several ruins of old buildings and outlines of original streets still remain.

With its existing ruins and strong ties to the Texas cattle drive days, Kimball Bend Park provides an opportunity to incorporate the area's heritage into a modern park design. The development plan includes an interpretative section to take advantage of the unique resources available at the Kimball town site.

Comments about the draft development plan will be accepted until Aug. 19, and can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Whitney Lake, P.O. Box 5038, Laguna Park, TX 76644.

For more information about the development plan, contact Ronnie Bruggman at 254-622-3332.